

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of: Jack R. Bratten  
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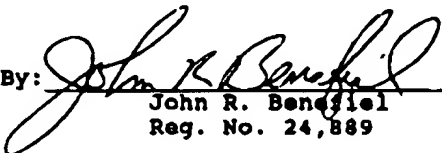
Dear Sir:

Applicant expressly abandons the above-identified application,  
now on appeal, in favor of copending application U. S. Serial No.  
08/535,546, filed September 28, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 2, 1996

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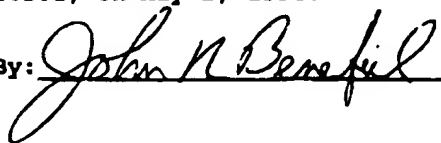
  
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